775 Thus it remains till the *ḥbâṭa* sacrifice has been brought, after which the body takes its place in the grave and the *nesem* departs, no one knows where.

775 After the *ẓaḥijje* sacrifice Allâh weighs both the good
673 deeds, *ḥasanateh*, and the sins of the deceased, *sajâteh radijje*. Allâh punishes sins: *az-zena*, which means sexual intercourse with a girl betrothed to another or with another's wife, for that is a betrayal, *bowḳ*, of persons to whom the females belong; *al-ḫowne*, the robbery of a guest or companion who has trusted one while on the road; *ḍabḥ az-zelema*, killing of a man not subject to the blood feud or of an enemy who did not attack one; *az-zelîme*, false testimony under oath before the court. These four sins alone are punished by Allâh both in this world and hereafter. In this world he punishes by disease, by sending robbers against the sinner's estate; by taking away his sons, or by having him murdered. In weighing these sins and good deeds, the weight of the *ḥbâṭa* and *ẓaḥijje* sacrifices is added; also of the kettle in which the flesh was cooked; of the three stones, *ḥawâdi*, supporting the kettle; of all the utensils used in preparing the supper; of the fuel, as well as of everything that was laden on the she-camel sacrificed on the holiday of the commemoration of all departed, *az-ẓaḥijje*. The Rwejli is certain that, as far as he is concerned, the scales will always dip in his favor and that he will enter paradise intact with both his body and his soul, *nesem*. He that falls in war needs neither the *ḥbâṭa* nor the *ẓaḥijje*, for all his sins were washed off with his blood. A murdered man, too, goes directly to paradise, because his sins fall on the head of the murderer, unless the latter was destined by Allâh to punish the murdered man for his sins.

HELL AND PARADISE

772 Paradise is somewhere below ground. There it rains regu-
775 larly, there is always *rabî'*, abundance, good pasture, *ḫejr*, and there also the moon shines all the time. In paradise all the Rwala live together, are young, and never grow older. They can marry there and have grown children at once. Every one has a big tent, big herds, and many children. They raid hostile tribes which have been condemned to hell, where all enemies of the Rwala are sent.